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> DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS OF THE . FOOD DISTRIBUTION ADMINISTRATION FEBRUARY 1943

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TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY PARTICIPATION IN FDA DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS

Region	Food Stamp Program		Direct Distribution: Program	:School Lunch : School Milk : Program : Program	
	: Persons : :Participating: :(Estimated) :	Blue Stamp Issuance	: Persons : Participating :	: Children :Participating	: Children
ortheast	313,427	\$ 1,134,605.75	302,502	1,007,270	471,127
Southern	192,007	453.137.50	513,375	1,631,500	119,353
reat Lakes	227,340	777,503.50	231,428	707,432	360,786
idwest	211,595	649.596.50	41,001	564,451	245.388
outhwest	278,890	704,925.00	. 118,619	678,437	58,020
locky Mt.	58,600	164,667.50	9,211	140,296	27,586
Pacific	110,064	395,130,00	5,294	379,747	78,129
Caribbean Area	-	-	592,161	192,411	-
Total	1,391,923	\$ 4,279,565.75	1,813,591	5,301,544	1,360,389

#### SUMMARY

In February, approximately 3.2 million persons in family groups. including 600,000 persons in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Hawaii, participated in FDA family food programs; 5.3 million children participated in the School Lunch Program.

- FOOD STAMF PROGRAM. Estimated participation: 1.4 million persons. Issuance: blue stamps, 4.3 million dollars; estimated per capita blue stamp issuance, \$3.07. (This program discontinued February 28, 1943.)
- 2. DIRECT DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM. Participation: 1.8 persons in family groups; 382,000 persons in institutions and special groups. Food distributed: 18.5 million pounds valued at 1.2 million dollars.
- 3. SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM. Participation: 5.3 million children in 73,100 schools. Food distributed: 44.5 million pounds valued at 4.9 million dollars.
- SCHOOL MILK PROGRAM. Estimated participation: 1.4 million children.

### The Foca Stamp Program

The Food Stamp Program concluded occrations at the end of February in all areas. An estimated 1.4 million persons received 4.3 million dollars in free blue stamps, an estimated per capita average of \$3.07.

A statistical review of the Food Stamp Frogram will be presented as a separate report in the near future.

#### The Direct Distribution Program

EXTENT. Participation: 1.8 million persons in family groups, including 600,000 persons in Puerto Rico, the Virtin Islands, and Hawaii. This compares with a total participation of 4.4 million persons in February 1942.

FOODS DISTRIBUTED. Quantity: 16.6 million pounds to remily groups, 1.9 million pounds to institutions and special groups. Estimated retail value of food distributed to all direct distribution groups, 1.2 million dollars.

Approximate cost to the FDA of foods distributed through the Direct Distribution Program in February: .6 million dollars.

#### The School Lunch Program

EXTENT. Participation: 5.3 million children in 73,100 schools; approximately 18 per cent of the total school enrollment in the continental United States. Participation in February of last year: 6.2 million children in 93,000 schools.

FOODS DISTRIBUTED. Quantity: 44.5 million pounds with an estimated retail value of 4.9 million dollars.

Approximate cost to the FDA of foods distributed through the School Lunch Program in February: 2.5 million dollars.

## The School Lunch Local Purchase Program

Scattered reports indicate that only a relatively few schools began operation of this type of program in February. It has been favorably accepted and preliminary reports indicate that a substantial number of children were participating in March.

## The School Milk Program

In January, the latest month for which complete data on the School Milk Program are available, approximately 1.4 million children in 8,500 schools participated. Of the total participants, approximately 19 per cent received their milk without cost to them.

Indemnity payments by the FDA to sponsors in payment for milk distributed in January totaled approximately.5 million dollars; during the fiscal year through January, payments totaled 1.6 million dollars.

TABLE 2. NUMBER OF CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN THE SCHOOL LUNCH AND SCHOOL MILK PROGRAMS, FEBRUARY 1942 AND 1943

D4	: School Lunch Program		: School Milk Program		
Region and State		February 1942	: January 1943 /1	: February 1942	
TOTAL	E 301 E44	6,165,956	1,360,389	542,169	
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NORTHEAST	1,007,270	1,114,534	471,127	471,074	
Connecticut	38,347	31,583	9,608	-	
Delaware	4,413	4,706	-	-	
Dist. of Columbia	5,910	11,171	16,635	28,442	
Maine	35,233	42,920 22,154	22,585	-	
Maryland Massachusetts	20,260 129,567	140,674	1,637 40,796	38,764	
New Hampshire	2,891	16,945	9,611	J0,704	
New Jersey	102,268	87,687	16,928	_	
New York	318,792	324,194	317,891	403,868	
Pennsylvania	260,898	325,108	16,617		
Rhode Island	ø 4,087	2,616	3,171	-	
Vermont	18,519	20,877	10,973	-	
West Virginia	66,085	83,899	4 <b>,</b> 675	-	
SOUTHERN	1,631,500	<b>2,0</b> 79,866	119,353	-	
Alabama	39,076	72,080	27,838	-	
Florida	90,692	98,279	6,370	-	
Georgia Kentucky	429,482 /2	513,056	10,191	-	
Mississippi	89,648 249,528	116,332	8,855	_	
North Carolina	153,897	324,119 221,242	6,260 26,155	_	
South Carolina	320,884	329,206	3,480	_	
Tennessee	177,713	297,694	14,902	_	
Virginia	80,580	107,858	15,302	_	
GREAT LAKES	707,432	608,576	360,786	59,532	
Illinois	173,254	138,943	124,993	58,766	
Indiana	69,136	94,914	31,398	í ú	
Michigan	212,637	181,613	68,204	-	
Ohio	147,885	86,765	58,235		
Wisconsin	104,520	106,341	77,956	766	
MIDWEST	564,451	691,426	245,388	11,563	
Iowa Kansas	55,343	74,798	58,267	-	
Minnesota	59 <b>,</b> 387 197 <b>,</b> 227	78,845	23,620	-	
Missouri	135,361	184,516 149,503	77,727	- 11,563	
Nebraska	41,437	62,996	44,083 12,955	11,505	
North Dakota	43,309 /2	81,190	17,458		
South Dakota	32,387	59,578	11,278	_	
SOUTHWEST	678,437	940,122	58,020	_	
Arkansas	102,474	126,818	5,720	_	
Louisiana	151,113	196,796	9,329	_	
Oklahoma	180,647	246,094	13,751	-	
Texas	244,203 /2	370,414	29,220	<b>-</b>	
ROCKY MOUNTAIN	140,296	199,627	<u>27,586</u>	`-	
Colorado	24,853	38,610	13,349	-	
Idaho Montana	24,501	36,282	4,581	-	
New Mexico	21,491	27 <b>,</b> 858	1,286	-	
Utah	27,193 32,156	47,471	1,480	-	
Wyoming	10,102	37,703 11,703	4,057		
PACIFIC	379,747	460,664	2,833 78,129		
Arizona	25,509	27,151	22,365	_	
California	237,542	300,467	38,667	-	
Nevada	3,414	3,538	• 468		
Oregon	28,737	24,529	10,753		
Washington	74,032	98,169	5,876	-	
Hawaii	10,513	6,810	-	-	
CARIBBEAN AREA Pucrto Rico	192,411	71,141	-	-	
MUCKEU RIGO	189,399	69,199		_	
Virgin Islands	3,012	1,942	-	_	

Latest complete month available.
January figures.



